

dertaking, with the number of shares they are respectively entitled to hold, and of the locality or places of abode of the several proprietors of the said undertaking, and of the several persons and bodies who shall from time to time become proprietors thereof, or be entitled to any share therein, shall be *prima facie* evidence that such defendant is a proprietor, and of the number or amount of his shares therein.

LI. And whereas, in cases where any proprietor of any share in the said undertaking shall die, become insolvent or bankrupt, or go out of the kingdom, or shall transfer his or her right and interest therein to some other person, and no registre shall have been made of the transfer thereof with the clerk of the said company, it may not be in the power of any officer acting for the said company to ascertain who is the proprietor of such share in order to give him or her, or his or her executors, administrators, successors, or assigns, notice of calls to be made on such share, or to maintain any action, suit, or other proceeding against him or her, or his or her executors, administrators, successors, or assigns, for the recovery of the same; be it therefore enacted, That in all the cases aforesaid where the right of property or any share in the said undertaking shall pass from the original subscriber or any proprietor thereof to any other person, or to any body corporate, by any other legal means than by a transfer or conveyance thereof in the form and manner herein specified or herein otherwise provided, an affidavit shall be made and sworn to by some credible person before any of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace, or any Master or Master Extraordinary in the High Court of Chancery, stating the manner in which such share hath been passed to such other person or to such body corporate, and such affidavit shall be delivered to and left with the clerk of the said company, to the intent that he may preserve the same, and enter and register the name of every such other proprietor, or the description of every such body corporate, in the register book or list of proprietors of the said undertaking to be kept in the office of the said company; and in all or any of the said cases, after fourteen days notice in writing shall have been given by the said directors under the hand of the clerk or Treasurer of the said company to the person or corporation stating or claiming in such affidavit to be the proprietor or proprietors of such share, or left at the last or usual place of abode of such person, or of the clerk of such corporation, to pay his, her, or their proportion of money to be called for, and such person or corporation shall not have paid such his, her, or their proportion as aforesaid, it shall be lawful for the said company at any general meeting or special general meeting, after the expiration of such notice, to declare such shares to be forfeited, and in such case the shares shall become forfeited, and shall and may be sold and disposed of in such manner as the said company at any meeting shall direct, or otherwise become consolidated in the general fund of the said company; and in case there shall be no such affidavit made as aforesaid, then such notice as is hereinbefore directed to be given shall be served upon or be left at the last place of abode of the executors or administrators of such proprietor so dying, or of the assignees or trustees of such proprietor so becoming bankrupt or insolvent, or in the event of the share or shares being disposed of as aforesaid, or of the last proprietor ap-

For ascertaining the proprietorship of shares in certain cases.